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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Patent Office the following references:

Babbage & Frisch "On MISTY1 Higher Order Differential Cryptanalysis"
Daemen, Knudsen & Rijmen "The Block Cipher SQUARE"
Jakobsen & Knudsen "The Interpolation Attack on Block Cipher"
Nyberg & Knudsen, "Provable Security Against Differential Cryptanalysis"
Shimoyama, Moriai & Kaneko, "Improving the Higher Order Differential Attack and Cryptanalysis of the KN Cipher"
Tanaka, Hisamatsu & Kaneko, "Strength of MISTY1 without FL Function for Higher Order Differential Attack"

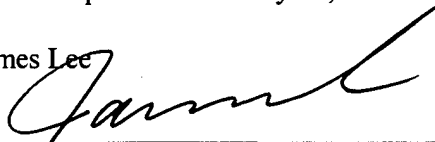
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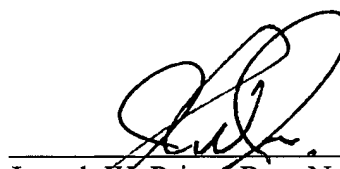


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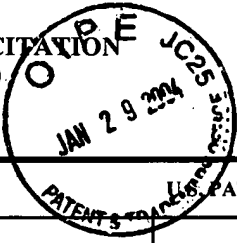
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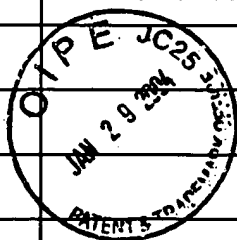
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